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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of August 27, 2002 (Paper No. 38), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

It is believed that no extensions of time are necessary. However, if one is deemed necessary to maintain pendency of this application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Applicant's deposit account no. 19-0134.

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